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Natural Gas Marketers File November Prices With the PSC

ATLANTA, November 7, 2005 — The Georgia Public Service Commission today published the November natural gas marketer prices on the November 2005 pricing page on the Commission website, <u>www.psc.state.ga.us</u>, along with an "apples to apples" comparison of rates and a total bill comparison showing the differences among marketer rate plans. The monthly bill for a typical variable rate customer can vary by nearly \$20.00 depending on the marketer chosen. Simply looking at the price per therm advertised by a marketer may not give an accurate comparison since some marketers bill certain charges separately while others include them in the per therm rate. Monthly customer service charges can vary from \$3.95 to \$15.95. For November, an average customer is defined as having a 1.29 DDDC factor and using 62 therms or 880 therms annually.

Georgia law provides that the "price for natural gas billed to a natural gas customer shall not exceed the marketer's published price effective at the beginning of the consumer's billing cycle." Additional information on consumer complaints concerning natural gas marketers may be found on the Gas Marketer Scoreboard at <u>http://www.psc.state.ga.us/consumer_corner/cc_gas/scorecard.asp</u>.

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November 2005 Pricing Chart

Typical Customer = 1.29 DDDC Factor, 880 therms annual consumption, 62 therms November consumption

NOTE: Beginning July 2005, senior citizens discounts will be either \$14.00 or the Total amounbt of the AGLC base charges, whichever is LESS

	Total Monthly Bill for Typical Customer		Total Annual Bill for Typical Customer	Annual "Apples- to-Apples" Price per Therm	Per Therm Rate (*not all charges included)		Tiers (if applica ble)	Interstate Capacity Charge-per DDDC Factor	Balancingper DDDC Factor	Customer Service Charge**		Other Marketer Charges/Notes	Effective Date of Marketer Rates	Exit Fee/Early Termination Fee
Senior Citizen Rate Plans		1												
Variable			[
Regulated Provider Group 1	\$ 100.82	\$ 1.63	N/A	N/A	\$	1.4664		Included	Included	\$	3.95		11/5/05	N/A
Regulated Provider Group 2	\$ 124.63		N/A	N/A	ŝ	1.7214		Included	Included	\$	11.95		11/5/05	N/A
GasKey	\$ 99.01		N/A	N/A	ŝ	1.4050		Included	Included	\$	5.95		11/5/05	N/A
Georgia Natural Gas	\$ 112.28		N/A	N/A	ŝ	1.6190		Included	Included	\$	5.95		11/5/05	N/A
Southern Company Gas	\$ 119.72		N/A	N/A	\$	1.7390		Included	Included	\$		Customer Service\$12.95 depending on credit check	11/4/05	N/A
Southern Company Gas-promo rate	\$ 109.80	\$ 1.77	N/A	N/A	\$	1.5790		Included	Included	\$		Customer Service\$12.95 depending on credit check	11/4/05	N/A
/ectren Source-Senior Select	\$ 109.04	\$ 1.76	N/A	N/A	\$	1.5990		Included	Included	\$	3.95		11/4/05	N/A
Fixed														
Regulated Provider Group 1	\$ 114.00	\$ 1.84	\$ 1,632.21	\$ 1.85	\$	1.6790		Included	Included	\$	3.95		11/5/05	N/A
Southern Company Gas-Fixed 12 month	\$ 115.38		\$ 1,647.41			1.6690		Included	Included	\$		Customer Service\$12.95 depending on credit check	11/4/05	\$ 50
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legulated Provider Group 1	\$ 122.28		N/A	N/A		1.5664		Included	Included	\$	4.95		11/5/05	N/A
Regulated Provider Group 2	\$ 138.89		N/A	N/A		1.7214		Included	Included	\$	11.95		11/5/05	N/A
Commerce Energy	\$ 121.02		N/A	N/A		1.3840 *		\$ 4.29	\$ 3.50	\$	4.95		11/1/05	N/A
Coweta-Fayette EMC Natural Gas	\$ 120.40		N/A	N/A		1.5200		Included	Included	\$	5.95		11/1/05	N/A
GasKey	\$ 124.06		N/A	N/A		1.5790		Included	Included	\$	5.95		11/5/05	N/A
Georgia Natural Gas	\$ 135.84		N/A	N/A	\$	1.7690		Included	Included	\$		\$144.22 (\$9.99 CS charge/\$1.839 per therm) depending on credit check	11/5/05	N/A
Georgia Natural Gas-Market Advantage	\$ 130.68		N/A	N/A	\$	1.6690		Included	Included	\$	6.99		11/5/05	N/A
Seorgia Natural Gas-Market Intro	\$ 129.89		N/A	N/A		1.7690		Included	Included	\$		New customers only; CS charge waived for 1st 4 months of service	11/5/05	N/A
Georgia Natural Gas-Volume Discount	\$ 119.90		N/A	N/A		1.4790		Included	Included	\$	7.99		11/5/05	N/A
nfinite Energy	\$ 135.79		N/A	N/A		1.7682		Included	Included	\$	5.95		11/1/05	N/A
Scana Energy	\$ 136.26		N/A	N/A		1.7790		Included	Included	\$			11/5/05	N/A
Scana Choice	\$ 136.22		N/A	N/A		1.7590		Included	Included	\$		Customer Service-\$8.95 depending on credit check	11/5/05	N/A
Scana Choice-no CS charge	\$ 129.27		N/A	N/A		1.7590		Included	Included	\$		6 months free customer service chargenew customers only	11/5/05	N/A
Shell Energy	\$ 134.04		N/A	N/A		1.7400		Included	Included	\$			11/4/05	N/A
Southern Company Gas	\$ 135.22		N/A	N/A	\$	1.7590		Included	Included	\$		Customer Service\$12.95 depending on credit check	11/4/05	N/A
Southern Company Gas- promo rate	\$ 125.30		N/A	N/A	\$	1.5990		Included	Included	\$		Applies to new customers only	11/4/05	N/A
/ectren Source	\$ 130.52		N/A	N/A		1.6832		Included	Included	\$	5.95		11/4/05	N/A
Valton EMC Natural Gas	\$ 126.96	\$ 2.05	N/A	N/A	Ş	1.6290		Included	Included	\$	5.75		11/4/05	N/A
Fixed Rate Plans														
12 Month Plans														
Regulated Provider Group 1	\$ 129.26	\$ 2.08	\$ 1,790.89	\$ 2.04	s	1.6790		Included	Included	\$	4.95		11/5/05	\$
Regulated Provider Group 2	\$ 148.97		\$ 2,055.29			1.8840		Included	Included	ŝ	11.95		11/5/05	ŝ
Commerce Energy	\$ 123.97					1.5130		Included	Included	\$	9.95		11/1/05	\$ 50
Coweta-Fayette EMC Natural Gas	\$ 124.06		\$ 1,714.89			1.5790		Included	Included	ŝ	5.95		11/1/05	\$ 50
Gas Key	\$ 122.20		\$ 1,688.49			1.5490		Included	Included	\$	5.95		11/5/05	\$ 50
Georgia Natural Gas	\$ 131.06		\$ 1,809.77			1.6590		Included	Included	\$	7.99		11/5/05	\$ 50
Georgia Natural Gas-Plan 2	\$ 130.88		\$ 1,811.69			1.6890		Included	Included	\$	5.95		11/5/05	\$ 50
nfinite Energy	\$ 130.94		\$ 1,812.57	\$ 2.06		1.6900		Included	Included	\$	5.95		11/1/05	Tiered up to \$1
Scana Energy	\$ 131.30					1.6990		Included	Included	\$		Customer Service-\$8.95 depending on credit check	11/5/05	\$ 50
Scana Choice	\$ 131.26					1.6790		Included	Included	\$		Customer Service-\$8.95 depending on credit check	11/5/05	\$ 50
Scana Choice-no CS charge	\$ 124.31					1.6790		Included	Included	\$		6 months free customer service chargenew customers only	11/5/05	\$ 50
Shell Energy (12 or 24 months)	\$ 129.70		\$ 1,794.97	\$ 2.04		1.6700		Included	Included	\$		Customer Service- up to \$8.95 depending on credit check	11/4/05	\$ 50
Southern Company Gas	\$ 130.88		\$ 1,811.69			1.6890		Included	Included	\$		Customer Service\$12.95 depending on credit check	11/4/05	\$ 50
outhern Company Gas-Grand Plan	\$ 133.44		\$ 1,826.09			1.5690	1	Included	Included	\$	15.95	designed for >1000 annual therms	11/4/05	\$ 50
Valton EMC Natural Gas	\$ 119.58		\$ 1,651.77	\$ 1.88		1.5100		Included	Included	\$	5.75	•	11/4/05	\$
Other Fixed Plans		1			1			· · · · · · ·						
Georgia Natural Gas 6 month	\$ 130.68	\$ 2.11	\$ 1,806.57	\$ 2.05	\$	1.6690		Included	Included	\$	6.99		11/5/05	\$ 50
cana Energy-fixed for 6 months	\$ 134.40		\$ 1,862.09			1.7490		Included	Included	\$		Customer Service-\$8.95 depending on credit check	11/5/05	\$ 50
cana Choice-Fixed for 6 months	\$ 134.36					1.7290		Included	Included	\$			11/5/05	\$ 50
	\$ 127.41		\$ 1,775.49			1.7290		Included	Included	\$		6 months free customer service chargenew customers only	11/5/05	\$ 50
cana Choice-Fixed for 6-no CS charge							1			-				
	\$ 130.94	\$ 2.11	\$ 1,794.97	\$ 2.04	\$	1.6900		Included	Included	\$	5.95	Customer Service- up to \$8.95 depending on credit check	11/4/05	\$ 50
Scana Choice-Fixed for 6-no CS charge Shell Energy (6 months) Southern Company Gas-18 mth			\$ 1,794.97 \$ 1,785.29			1.6900 1.6590		Included	Included	\$ \$		Customer Service- up to \$8.95 depending on credit check Customer Service\$12.95 depending on credit check	11/4/05 11/4/05	\$ 50 \$ 50

Represents the <u>lowest</u> rate for a typical residential customer, excluding Regulated Provider rates

Represents the highest rate for a typical residential customer, excluding Regulated Provider rates

NOTES:

(a) The prices billed to a consumer on a variable rate plan will not exceed the price the marketer has on file with the Commission in effect at the beginning of the consumer's billing cycle (meter reading cycle). The prices billed

to a consumer on a fixed rate plan will not exceed the price on file with the Commission that was in effect at the time the consumer contracted with his or her marketer.

(b) The Total Annual Bill and Total Monthly Bill include the base charges from Atlanta Gas Light Company. The annual base charge for a typical customer with a 1.29 DDDC Factor is \$253.97 and is \$107.29 for qualifying senior citizens.

The November 2005 base charge is \$20.21 for a typical customer with a 1.29 DDDC Factor, and \$5.95 for qualifying seniors with a 1.29 DDDC Factor.

(c) "Apples-to-Apples" = (total monthly [annual] bill / monthly [annual] consumption)

(d) Total Monthly Bill = [(Marketer variable rate x 62 therms) + (listed other charges) + (customer service charge) + (November base charge)]

(e) Total Annual Bill = [(Marketer fixed rate x 880 therms) + (listed other charges x 12) + (customer service charge x 12) + (annual base charges)]

(f) The Regulated Provider Group 1 customers - low income customers who are qualified by the State Dept. of Human Resources. Group 2 customers - high-credit risk customers who cannot obtain service from a marketer.

(g) Prices do not include sales tax, which vary by county.